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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: E. Martinez-Force et al. Attorney Docket No.: ARNO118342  
Filed: Concurrently Herewith  
Title: OIL FROM SEEDS WITH A MODIFIED FATTY ACID COMPOSITION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Seattle, Washington 98101

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

In the Specification:

At page 1, after the title and before the Object of the Invention, please delete lines 2-9.

Please insert the following section at page 1, after the title:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a division of U.S. Application No. 09/326,500, filed June 4, 1999, priority from the filing date of which is hereby claimed under 25 U.S.C. § 120.

After the claims, please enter the Abstract of the Disclosure, as submitted as new separate page 13.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-12 and 16-23 and rewrite Claims 13-15 to read as follows:

13. (Amended) Sunflower seeds comprising a sunflower oil having:  
an oleic acid content of more than 5% and less than 65% by weight based upon the total fatty acid content,

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